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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of October 3, 2001, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections made therein are respectfully requested, in view of the following amendments and remarks. Inasmuch as the three-month shortened statutory period was originally set in the Office Action to expire on January 3, 2002, Applicants hereby request an extension of time for three (3) months and are concurrently filing a formal Request for Extension of Time, together with all requisite fees therefor. If for any reason the formal Request for Extension of Time is not associated with the file at the Patent and Trademark Office or the extension fee is deficient, this should be considered to be an express request for any necessary extension of time and authorization for the Commissioner to charge any necessary extension of time fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

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